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Hon. Robert Murphy
Deputy Under Secretary
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Murphy:

This is to acknowledge your letter of 19 February 1954 in which you suggest that this Agency consider undertaking a project for the preparation of maps of certain areas in the Antarctic. I appreciate the importance of the work being accomplished by the Ad Hoc Committee and the Technical Group on Antarctica and am pleased that a member of this Agency has been able to contribute to this effort.

I am advised that the proposed maps are desired on a moderately large scale and would be compiled from aerial photography covering an extensive area of the coastline. Our map-making unit is not equipped to do this type of compilation and, if the proposed project is in fact of this character, it would have to be undertaken on a contractual basis.

Your request is being reviewed by appropriate officers within the Agency together with members of the two inter-agency bodies. Upon completion of this review, I shall be glad to inform you whether or not this Agency can be of assistance in the preparation of these maps.

Sincerely,

SAC

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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